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SUBJECT: IRAN TO ENTER NEXT ME WAR IF ONE BREAKS OUT

1. IN INTERVIEW PUBLISHED DEC. 12 BY INDEPENDENT BEIRUT WEEKLY, AL HAWADITH, SHAH OF IRAN WARNED THAT ISRAEL MUST AGREE TO IMPLEMENTATION OF UN RESOLUTIONS AT NEXT STAGE OF GENEVA CONFERENCE OR RESIGN HERSELF TO RENEWED WAR WITH ARABS. HE ADDED THAT NEXT WAR WOULD INCLUDE OTHER ISLAMIC COUNTRIES; "IT WILL BE OUR WAR THIS TIME, AND NONE OF US WILL HAVE ANY CHOICE." SHAH SAID HE HELD THIS CONVICTION BECAUSE OF REFUSAL ON PART OF ISLAMIC NATIONS TO ACCEPT "CHANGING THE" CHARACTER OF JERUSALEM."

2. TO QUESTION RE POSSIBILITY OF ARAB OIL EMBARGO DURING SUCH A WAR SHAH REPLIES, "THE ABILITY IS THERE BUT IS IT IN ARABS' FAVOR? THIS IS MATTER WORTHY OF CAREFUL CONSIDERATION." SHAH DESCRIBED EGYPT'S SADAT AS "GREAT MAN AND PEACE-LOVER," REGRETTED ISRAELIS ALLEGEDLY HAVE NOT MET HIM HALF-WAY AND CRITICIZED US FOR FAILING TO HELP SADAT FINE
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"SOLUTION THEY (US) SAID THEY WANTED IN ME".

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